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HACKNEY HOMELESS FESTIVAL '94

Welcome to The Hackney Homeless People's Festival '94

Once again, The Hackney Homeless People's Festival is brought to you by people who are, or have been, homeless. As well as the huge range of entertainments on offer today, we are also pleased to be able to bring you a wide range of information about homelessness - its causes and possible solutions. Please visit the Alternative Ideal Homes Exhibition and Information Area to find out how you can get involved.

Homelessness is not just about sleeping rough. The homeless can be people staying in hostels or temporary accommodation; those occupying properties that would otherwise remain empty; as well as people living under constant threat of physical, sexual or emotional abuse from their families, landlords or fellow tenants. A home means security, a sense of belonging, privacy and stability. Homelessness is caused by a lack of decent, affordable homes: it is a housing problem - not a people problem.

The situation is deteriorating and will not improve until the root causes of homelessness are recognised and tackled. Secure and affordable homes must be developed in all our communities. Decent housing is the foundation on which our lives are built.

While 864,000 properties stand empty - a new all time high - the Government is intent on reducing the housing choices available to vulnerable people. Two proposed pieces of legislation are set to make the situation even worse: Firstly the Government aim to remove rights to permanent housing for homeless people altogether and, secondly, The Criminal Justice Bill contains measures which aim to outlaw nomadic living and criminalise the occupation of unused houses by squatters.

The housing crisis is now worse than ever. This festival is one of many attempts by homeless people to bring to the attention of the public the scale and nature of the problem. We hope you will enjoy the many entertainments on offer today and that you will leave with a greater understanding of the issues involved. Together we can create change.

With thanks to **HACKNEY DRUGS PREVENTION TEAM** and **HACKNEY COUNCIL** for sponsorship and support.

This festival has been organised entirely by volunteers. We are very grateful to all the individuals and organisations who have contributed their time and money. Stewards with collecting buckets will be wandering the site taking your donations towards the costs of today's festival. Please give generously. **THANK YOU.**



Music Stages

Your guide to the bands playing today at the Festival.
All bands listed are in approximate running order only
- please check individual stages for performance times.



Wango Stage

We are pleased to welcome back the Wango Riley Stage after a winter break in Wales, this stage has been the star of many a festival and long may its crew continue. Featuring:

Doo The Moog - Sculptured spacey diddley music to kick-start the stage.

Dead Flowers - Funk, punk, Zappaish, psychedelic weirdness.

Tofu Love Frogs - Hackneys own flaming fiddles with attitude, Rawkess.

AOS 3 - Geordie jump and drive with conscience.

The Sea - South London's fast and furious.

Extra special guests - Well-popular and kicking.

More extra special guests - Who can it be?

Citizen Fish - Dik and boys wipe the floor with mean punk ska mayhem.



Reknor Stage

A step into the authentic world of Hackney Punks.
This year punk is given its own area as a reflection
of a local growth industry. Today's madness is
brought to you by:

**Striknien, Coitus, Dread Messiah, Ugley
Beat, Growth, Dead Dog Mountain, Head
on a Stick, Decadent Few
and Indecent Exposure.**



**Hackney House
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brings you
HOUSE NATION

in the

MEGATRIPOLES marquee:

**Australasia, Joi,
Salttank, Prana
Space, Reducer**

+ dr. **Alex Patterson (Orb)**
and Megatripolis DJs.

and, playing music that includes
sounds wholly or predominantly
characterised by the emission
of a succession of repetitive beats
(Clause 51):

**Ha-Ha, DIY,
Aphrodisiac, Liberator,
Bedlam, Circosis,
Deliverance, LS Deizal,
Zero Gravity.**

Mellowmix Central

This stage reflects a wide range of music all prepared to come together for a crucial cause. With:

**Unique, Wise Wound, Union, Chats
Band, John Williams, Psychastorm,
Street Service, Mellowmixers,
Propaganja, Pas Mindlink and Hue.**



Acoustic Stage

Set in the Alternative Ideal Homes Exhibition, this stage attempts to mix performance relating homelessness with the best acoustic music. Held together by compere **Dr. Palfi**, we are pleased to present:

Anomie - Koyannasquatski Part 1.

Captain Whirlwind - Socially active guitar and vocals.

Jon Row / Oceans Together - Storytelling, Rap Poetry.

Wicked by Michelle Collins - A powerful solo performance about an indomitable, rebellious bag lady.

Months of Sunday / The House of the Rising Debt - Improvised satire and comedy on homelessness and the Criminal Justice Bill.

Tom Long and the Bare Bones - Grooving Cajun Skiffle merchants.

Ray the Buser and Pete - Eloquent poetry from tested street brigade.

Tragic Roundabout - Brixton's Tragic have seen many a dance floor collapse to their mad, diddly ska.

Woundees - Stoke Newington's finest musical duo.

Days of Pure Enjoyment - Eastern and Celtic music smashing together to form a high velocity acoustic thrash.

Ade Toffu sings Blyth Power - To make up for a lack of Blyth Power, second best is the peculiar Ade and his mimickery.

Peter Cooper and friends - England's most respected violinists a brilliant musician at work.

Other Brothers - Perhaps the greatest Celtic band in England, purveyors of some very fine diddly.

Space Goats - Unique collection of hypnotic, driving, earth music to send the night out in style.



Spirit Stage

with DJ Manassah, Dave the Drumer, Evolution

Count Bass, Dharmas, Sons of Arqua, Co-Creators, Revolution

tary Dub Warriors, The Emperors New Clothes, BTTP, Fundamental, Test Department

and featuring a finale consisting of trapeze, fire show and drum spectacular.

The Alternative Ideal Homes Exhibition and Homelessness Information Area.

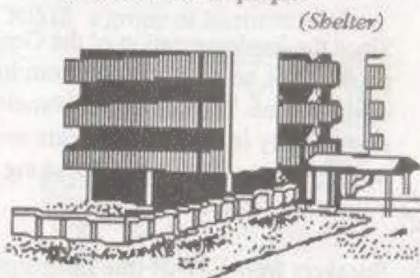
The misery of homelessness looks set to remain with us for years to come. Without a massive building and redevelopment programme dedicated to producing good quality, low cost homes for rent, the number of homeless people will continue to rise. Many organisations are working to ease the suffering of the homeless and homeless people themselves are taking action to improve their situations in a wide variety of ways. This exhibition shows the range of approaches to the crisis and serves as an alternative to the materialism of the official Ideal Homes Exhibition. It features performances and plays, homelessness support groups, alternative dwellings, housing charities and information, film shows, self-build housing groups, travellers homes, photo exhibitions, arts, displays and much more... None of these organisations claims to have solved the problem of homelessness, but all are working to deal with the grim reality of life without home, security and community.

CENTREPOINT, SOHO, a housing charity and hostel based in the West End of London, works with many young people who have become homeless after leaving local authority care or who have fled from violent and abusive families. Life on the streets of London is tough - but seems preferable to the hells these young homeless people are fleeing from. Visit the CENTREPOINT, SOHO stall to find out more...



There are up to two million people in Britain who are homeless, at risk of homelessness or forced to share with other people.

Formed in response to the scandal of homelessness in the 1960's, SHELTER is Britain's largest housing charity and - sadly - its work remains as necessary as ever. A recent Government Green Paper may lead to the removal of rights to permanent housing for all homeless families. Find out how SHELTER and SHELTER NIGHTLINE work every day of the year to help homeless people.



CLAYS LANE HOUSING CO-OP is Europe's largest co-operatively run housing project. Visit their information stall to find out how it works - and how you may be able to join.

Built entirely from recycled materials, the CARDBOARD HOUSE is a fully self-



*In some hostels up to 25 families have been found sharing one bathroom.
(Shelter)*

supporting intelligent life-form. Shed-U-Like telepathically responds to your slightest desire.

Sponsors of today's Festival, THE HACKNEY DRUGS PREVENTION TEAM will be on hand with a stall and display about their work. Worth a visit? - yes!

A variety of acoustic entertainments can be found on the ANOMIE STAGE throughout the day, including MICHELLE PHILIPS' one-woman play, "WICKED". Details can be found by the stage.

Have you ever dreamt of building your own home at a price that won't leave you broke? Slide-shows and information from the WALTER SEGAL TRUST and CHISEL can

help get your dream home started - It can be done -DIY Big Stylee.

CHAOS CAFE - delicious food in a double decker cafe.

London's premier housing advisors SHAC are hosting a stall. Check out the display of their work.

Welcome to THE VILLAGE - an exhibition of homes unlike any built by Barratt and Co! Featuring tipis, benders, a geodesic dome, a yurt, a grass hut, a converted bus and more, THE VILLAGE is the spiritual centre of the Alternative Ideal Homes Exhibition.

Since the implementation of the Government's "care in the community" policies, many people have been discharged from institutions into unsuspecting and ill-prepared communities. The number of homeless people with mental health problems has risen dramatically in the last few years and the CITY AND HACKNEY MIND stall shows how this national charity is working locally to support some of Britain's most vulnerable people.

Speakers from CHAR (the campaign for the single homeless), THE NATIONAL ROMANI RIGHTS ASSOCIATION, SQUASH, and THE CAMPAIGN FOR BEDSIT RIGHTS will be appearing on stages throughout the festival and throughout the day. They will also be speaking in the Alternative Ideal Homes/Information Area - see notice board for times and details. THE NATIONAL ROMANI RIGHTS ASSOCIATION are also hosting a stall so drop by for a chat.

"Short-life Housing Equals Logical Living" - according to the snail-trail at SHELL.

This exhibition shows that empty properties can be used for the benefit of their owners as well as the homeless. Mutually beneficial licensing agreements can be negotiated between the owners of empty properties and potential tenants. Find out about living in a SHELL and discover the joy of short-life housing.

Without a job it can be impossible to find a deposit for somewhere to live - and without somewhere to live it can be impossible to get a job. For many people this cycle of hopelessness and homelessness can - and must - be broken. FOYER offers a solution to this trap which recognises the complexity of problems facing homeless people. Come to the FOYER display to find out more.

Despite what the press may have you believe, there's nothing new about New Age Travellers. A photo exhibition in The Village shows 20 YEARS OF TRAVELLING from the travellers' side of the lens. The Criminal Justice Bill seeks to outlaw the nomadic way of life and eradicate this alternative to urban homelessness. Visit this exhibition - and the FRIENDS, FAMILIES AND TRAVELLERS SUPPORT GROUP stall - to get the real story.

ARCHITYPE are one of the UK's premier "green" architect firms, working to enhance and improve housing in the environment. This is the way towards housing that people actually want to live in!

Every winter the Government sets up temporary hostels to prevent the "street-homeless" from freezing to death in embarrassingly large numbers. Come to the RESIDENTS ACTION GROUP stall (in association with CHAR and THE BIG ISSUE) to find out why residents think this is not enough.

The Mongolian Yurt houses various photo exhibitions and displays about the work of groups like ACTON HOMELESS CONCERN, CRISIS, a group of Berliners who have taken direct action to deal with homelessness, and more. Come along to find out what a yurt is - and stay to learn more about these diverse approaches to the homelessness nightmare.

Visit the TOOLS FOR SELF-RELIANCE stall, who will collect your old tools, repair them and send them to local redevelopment projects around the world.

Whilst 864,000 empty properties go to waste, people suffer needlessly on the streets. Empty houses are no use to anyone. THE ADVISORY SERVICE FOR SQUATTERS (ASS) and



SQUATTERS ACTION FOR SECURE HOMES (SQUASH) are campaigning to reduce homeless by promoting the rehabilitation and occupation of disused property. Squatters are not people who move into your home while you are on holiday or at the shops! They are a diverse range of people, including many families, who occupy empty property in order to avoid having to sleep on the streets. Shelter have estimated that there are up to 2 million people in Britain who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, or forced to share with other people. Squatting provides a temporary solution to some of their problems - and squatting is still legal. Find out about the campaign to keep it that way at the ASS/SQUASH stand.

FINSBURY PARK HOMELESS FAMILIES group works with families facing the ongoing crisis of homelessness. To find out how you can get involved visit their stall and get chatting.

Alternative health care and information can be found in the Village yurt-tent **HEALING AREA**.

Islington's **REDBRICK HOUSING CO-OP** are hosting a stall with information about housing Co-Ops and how they operate. Community housing for all!

To find out why so many homeless people keep pets visit the **HOPE** stall (Homeless Owners with Pets). If you are a pet owner visit HOPE to find out how you can get veterinary care for your furry four-legged friends.

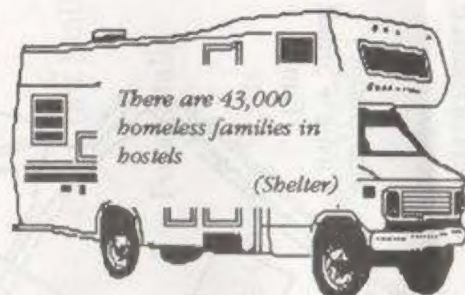
Meanwhile a cold wind blows in from Wanstead and into the heart of Hackney. The Department of Transport is currently laying a trail of destruction which will demolish 350 houses and make around 1,000 people homeless in order to build a road that no-one but the government seems to want. The **NO M11 LINK CAMPAIGN** will be on hand to tell you about how you can stop the devastation.

The Village **ACOUSTIC PERFORMANCE AREA** will feature a variety of shows, plays and events throughout the day, including **THE DONGAS TRIBE** play at 6 p.m. about the eternal struggle between the earth mother and the orange suspender-clad

brotherhood who are out to destroy her. Details of all performances and running times will be available by the stage.



At the time of going to press we are still hoping to set up a simulated B+B (bed and breakfast) room to show the depressing reality faced by many homeless families who are "lucky" enough to be housed by local authorities. **THE HOMELESS FAMILIES PROJECTS** from FIELD LANE, EARLS



COURT, KINGS CROSS and the CHILDREN NEED HOMES group will be on hand to explain their work, share their experiences and tell you how you can get involved in campaigns for safe and affordable accommodation for homeless families.

THE KIPPER PROJECT and McNAUGHTON HOUSE are both well respected projects working with homeless

people, many of whom have spent years living rough on the streets. Visit their stalls to see how you can help.

LIBERTY (formerly the National Council for Civil Liberties) is currently campaigning against the Criminal Justice Bill whose provisions include plans which could outlaw squatting and life "on the road". This vital campaign to stop the criminalisation of homeless people needs your support now! Visit the LIBERTY and GEORGIA HOPE stalls: Get informed and get involved!

HACKNEY HOMELESS PEOPLES FESTIVAL has its own stall selling food, badges, t-shirts and, of course, we welcome your generous donations towards the cost of all today's events.

There will also be a variety of sculptures, fire-shows, wandering happenings and ambient music taking place throughout the day - you'll just have to come along AND SEE FOR YOURSELF.

STOP PRESS..STOP PRESS..STOP PRESS..STOP PRESS.

You will also find stalls and displays by: Hackney Green Party, Cripplegate Projects, Festival Welfare Services, The Irish Housing Association, Hackney Womens Aid, Radical Roots and many more!

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1.1 million council homes had been sold by July 1992 with discounts of up to 70%. Councils have been banned by the Government from spending the money raised on building new houses.

The Housing Corporation states that 100,000 new homes are needed for social renting each year but the Government is only prepared to build 35,000. The number of council properties has fallen from 5 million in 1980 to 3.8 million today.



Think about it

Hackney Homeless Peoples Festival

Site Plan

TAIHE = The Alternative Ideal Homes Exhibition

Including:

- 5. Cinema and
- 6. Acoustic Stage plus Art, cafes, healing, games + alternative ideal homes

7. Kai sounds + Zion Train

8. Mellowmix Marquee

9. 868 Cabaret

10. Roofless Circus

11. HHP Festi-Cafe

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Samaritans, Festival Coordinators, Festival Welfare Services, Midland Fire Protection.

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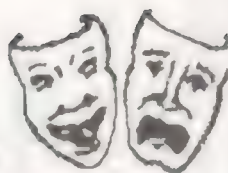
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868 Caberet



The 868 Caberet (named as a reminder that there are nearly 868,000 empty homes in this country) will feature eight hours of continuous comedy, circus and caberet acts from a stunning variety of performers.

Compered by **Tony Allen** and **Pewee**, the 868 line up includes:

The Beetroots - stompingly zany caberet band.

Charmain Hughes - diverse humour from a well-loved stand-up.

Stompy - dangerously funny clown.

Ruby Throat - wild band with echanical urprise.

Mr Nasty - a laugh, a poem, a little bit of politics.

Momentary Fusion - exciting doubles trapeze act..

John Hegley and Nigel - spectac-ular comic/poet.

Paka - winner of the Aurillac circus festival slack rope walking competition five years running!

Mark Thomas - top notch political comedian.

Woody Bop Murray - with his record-breaking comedy act

Cheap Suit Oroonies - the finest eastern diddy band in the universe.

Higher than the Sun - triples trapeze and rope work

David Devant and his Spirit Wife - a band of theatrical popsters

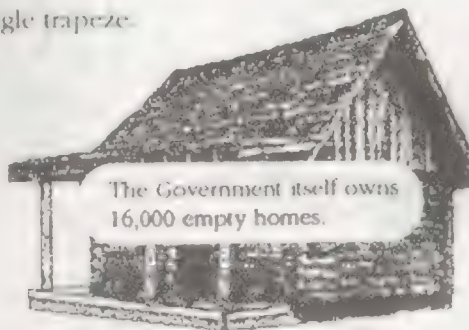
Rory Motion - brings you his brilliant music and comedy

Diva - acrobatic balancing duo.

Hi-Rama - wicked web rope act and single trapeze.

Chris Lynam - beyond words!!!

In 1992 Local Authorities accepted 141,860 households (approx. 420,000 individuals) as homeless under current legislation. It is extremely difficult to get accepted as homelessm under this legislation and it is going to get tougher.



Dom Kai Reggae Sounds with Zion Train
Presents Booming Dub and reggae with many
special guests and DJs.

Roofless Circus

The Roofless Circus arena will bring you an exciting array of aerial acts combined with clowns, juggler, dangerous balancers, wicked slack rope walkers, colourful Kurdish dancers and a mind blowing finale.

Claire and Michelle



12:40pm Trapeze Workshops

**Sarah-Jean
Koma Bindle**

3:00pm Acrobalance Workshop

**Dr Burnheart Gloss
Michelle**

**Spannerman
Stretch People**

The Form

Tak n Tat

Mustapha Funky

Chimera

*One thousand households
turn to local councils every
working day on the grounds
of homelessness.*

(Guardian)

Visit the 'World Market' with goods from Nepal, Indonesia, Thailand. Jewels, gems, Mexican Hammocks, African instruments and pottery from The Earth-End! Crafts, prints, clothing, (recycled + retro), pipes, bongos, hats etc etc.

Titillate your tastebuds with good Veg and Vegan food, Caribbean cuisine, Mexican munchies, Oriental, French, Indian and the dog's food. Also look out for the Cool Tan Cafe in the Alternative Ideal Homes arena and, of course, The Hackney Homeless Peoples Festival (Official) cafe (cor wot a mouthful) for veggie burgers, humus kebabs, hot + cold drinks + delicious cakes. Eat with Attitude!

Cinema Tent



A wide variety of Videos and clips with the common thread being homelessness in its many guises. Check the board at the tent for times. Films being shown will be:

Hackney Homeless Festival '93, Despite TV, Local Films, Carlton TV Shorts, Riff Raff, Heart of the Matter, Small World Productions, Give me Shelter, Z is for Zero concern, The Chain, Public Order Act, No M-11 campaign, Tash's Amazingly Famous Festival Slide Show, Battle of the Beanfield.

Children's Area

Albion Kid's Show Climbing Ship, Music, Unicycling, Stiltwalking, Face Painting.

Play on the Estates Arts and Crafts Marquee, Cardboard City.

Hackney Playbus Activities for under 5s.

Performance and Workshop Tent

Including: **John Row** - storyteller.

Egyptian Dance, Accapella and Young Artists and Performers.

(If you want to show YOUR TALENTS step forward and see Co-ordinator in tent.)



INFLATABLES, FACEPAINTING, SWINGBOAT (for under 5s).

156,000 young people are homeless each year in Britain (Shelter).

30,000 children live in Bed and Breakfast and Hotels (Shelter).

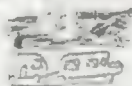
45,000 children live in all types of temporary accomodation.

100,00 hidden homeless children live in squats, on floors, on the street, on the road.

It is a child's right to have a safe, secure and happy home.

Government statistics on homelessness do not include single people - who in fact account for about 75% of homeless people.

(Crisis)



The Hackney Homeless festie committee would like to thank:

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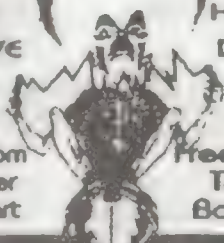
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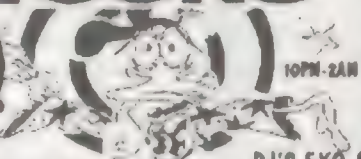
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

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